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MIL-A- 5180

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Chief, Foreign Division M

10 February 1951

Chief of Station, Karlsruhe

Operational

USAGE, Offer of Deserters

REF: MIL-A- 5181

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*Maurice Van CUTSEM*

USAGE has informed me he is in contact with a man (for true identity see MIL-A-5181) who claims to be currently in contact with a substantial number of Soviet soldiers and officers who are potential deserters. These are located chiefly in the Soviet zone Austria, but a certain number are also in the Ukraine. The person (MIL-A-5181) states he will undertake to ferry these bodies westward if he can get a responsible guarantee that the deserters will not receive the usual CIC treatment, i.e., plush treatment for two weeks until debriefing is complete, followed by disposal at a local DP camp. I directed USAGE to explore with this individual possibilities of our contacting these defectors prior to desertion and to provide all possible details, including a complete background on (MIL-A-5181).

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question - Vatican agent, etc.*

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